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Column One
BY David Courtney

YESTERDAY, quite properly, the Knesset gave expression to public anger and the nation's apprehensions following upon the latest Moscow evidence of a systematic policy, in the Communist countries, against Jews. Perhaps naturally, the Knesset statements added little to an understanding of the motives which have caused Soviet Russia, that boasted land of racial and national equality, to turn upon its Jews, and to direct that the Satellite Governments and the Government of Soviet-occupied Germany shall also turn upon their Jews. For the average man, including the average political leader, the motives are, indeed, incomprehensible; and are no clearer for the reports, themselves incomprehensible when applied to the charges made against the nine physicians, of bitter feud between Malenkov and Beria. There is only one contributing factor of the motive, or motives, behind Moscow's newest purge, and the drive against Jews which is common to all the European Comsunist Governments, about which there can be little doubt. It is probably a main factor and may even be the chief motive. It is the Kremlin's belief that, whilst Socialism can be consolidated and made to work successfully in one country, or one group of associated countries, agreement on the live-and-let-live basis between that country or group of countries and the non-Socialist world outside can no longer be reckoned upon.

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THAT being so, far from hoping for an end to the cold war, Russia would seem to be preparing for its accentuation, even to the point where it must slip into a shooting war. In these circumstances, therefore, the Soviet need no longer bother about the sensitivities of those outside who, in the past, have often given it the benefit of doubt. It is willing to risk a popular outbreak of anti-Semitism, and the charge that it is itself anti-Semitic in policy, if by action against the Jewish intelligentsia it removes what it believes to be a potential obstruction to the ruthless policy of making Communist peoples unquestioningly and one hundred per cent obedient, in thought as well as deed, to the policy of psychological and physical preparation for accelerating world conflict. The attack against the Jews is no less horrible for that explanation. But if the explanation can be taken as valid, then the attack upon the Jews becomes essentially part and consequence of the accelerating East-West conflict and can only be usefully analysed within that context.

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IN other words, behind the specific causes of the Soviet's hostility to the Jews are the general causes of Soviet hostility to the whole world outside. Mr. George Kennan, recently U.S. Ambassador to Moscow, last Friday night discussed these general causes in an address he gave to the Pennsylvania State Bar Association. It was a remarkable address, objective and wise and courageous. Its analysis of the causes of Soviet hostility, and its suggestions of what should be the American approach to it, could be read with considerable profit, and perhaps even some comfort, by the leaders of opinion in Israel at this dark moment. There is "something quite special," said Mr. Kennan, "which distinguishes the Soviet system from any other modern political system," particularly in the way the exercise of absolute power has been built around, and become dependant upon, the ideological preoccupations by which Soviet leaders were originally motivated. The quest for absolute power and the need for a preconception by which to rationalize it, has produced a state of mind incapable of comprehending any other system or of judging it except in terms of hostility. "What," asked Mr. Kennan, "is the correct reaction of a well-intentioned, reasonable nation when confronted with preconceived, implacable malice and hostility?"

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MR. Kennan then sums up what he calls "the simple, one-time answers," and rejects them. He advises strength; cool-headedness; unity; and readiness to negotiate when negotiation seems desirable. He believes that America should "make significant modifications in national behaviour," in the interests of real western unity; and should not over-rate her "infallibility" as a judge of the results of her own actions in the international field. And he calls for a "marked change" in the treatment of "those questions of civic loyalty which are so closely bound up with the Communist problem." The Community in which there is one undiscovered traitor, but where the other members are united by bonds of mutual confidence is stronger, in Mr. Kennan's view, than one in which the traitor has been caught "at cost of a pervading sense of fear and insecurity."

Jerusalem, January 20.

Adenauer Denies Nazi Threat, Hits U.S. Poll

BONN, Monday (AP). — Chancellor Konrad Adenauer declared flatly today that "no danger exists that a Nazi Party on the Hitler model will seize power in Western Germany." The Chancellor made this statement to a group of foreign correspondents in the midst of a political storm here aroused by Allied claims that neo-Nazism was surging back.

Dr. Adenauer commented on the British action last week of arresting seven former leading Nazis suspected of plotting to seize power and the publication over the week-end of an American survey claiming a significant rise in neo-Nazism and nationalism in West Germany.

The 77-year-old Chancellor was calm and sometimes even smiled with cold indulgence as he pooh-poohed the Allied fears that democratic government might be overthrown here. But he expressed anger at the contents of the American poll and the U.S. High Commission's conduct in making it public before consulting him.

DR. ADENAUER

Adenauer said the American findings — based on a questioning of 1,200 Germans — were "not a correct reading of popular opinion in the Federal Republic."

He added that the British arrest of the seven former Nazis and the publication of the American poll had "not created a good atmosphere for ratification of the European Defence Community treaty."

Fighting Major Battle

Adenauer is fighting the political battle of his life trying to get parliamentary ratification of the Allied-Bonn peace contract and the European Army treaty under which West Germany would rearm as a partner of the West. These bombshell charges about neo-Nazism have supplied much ammunition to opponents of the treaties in Germany as well as other signatory countries.

Adenauer said that the coming summer's national elections here would show that any party trying to build its strength on sympathy for the Nazis would bring about its own downfall. "Despite their loud voices the former Nazis have no backing among the public in Western Germany," he asserted.

Concerning the arrest of the seven alleged Nazi plotters by the British, the Chancellor said: "I do not think that this group would have been able to infiltrate into established political parties in the Federal Republic."

Claims Evidence

British High Commissioner Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick has asserted that the British had evidence that the alleged plotters were seeking to influence the parties in Adenauer's three-party coalition.

The Chancellor said that his constitutional security police had watched the alleged conspirators in cooperation with the British for six months. "We came to the conclusion that nothing need be done," he told correspondents.

"The British High Commissioner attached great importance to their activities but was unable to produce any facts that could legally enable us to act," the Chancellor declared. "I believe there should be no further investigation of past membership of the Nazi Party in Western Germany. But I also believe that former Nazis should not be allowed to take a big part in public affairs or political life."

"The German people," he said, "must come into the West European community as soon as possible. If this question of European integration is not quickly settled Russia may be tempted to attack. We are entering a critical period. We do not know what may lie in store for us if Stalin should die. The fight for the succession already appears to have begun in the Soviet Union."

East German Youth Movement Purged

BERLIN, Monday (Reuter). — East Germany's two million strong Communist Free German Youth (F.D.J.) movement is being purged of "agents and diversionists," the F.D.J. paper "Junge Welt" announced yesterday.

The paper published a resolution adopted by the F.D.J. Central Committee on December 21, which called for the removal of all "elements who infiltrated the ranks of hypocrisy and double-talk."

Mossadegh Wins Fight For Special Powers

TEHERAN, Monday. — Premier Mohammed Mossadegh tonight won his battle for full powers which he wants to strengthen his hand in oil negotiations.

His bill demanding extension of his special powers for one year was passed by the Majlis by an overwhelming majority.

The Italian tanker Miriella arrived at Abadan last night and immediately began loading crude oil. She is expected to leave tomorrow or Wednesday, according to reliable reports reaching Teheran.

This is the second attempt to export oil from the nationalized Iranian industry in defiance of the British blockade. The first attempt by the Italians ended with the seizure of the tanker Rose Mary at Aden.

Bonn 'Anxious' To Effect Payments

BONN, Monday (UP). — German Government sources today reiterated that Bonn most anxious to put the Israel reparation agreement into operation as soon as possible. The text of the agreement and the ratification bill will be submitted to both Houses of the Bundestag in the near future.

First payment under the agreement is due to be made on March 31 and the Government has already earmarked 200 m. deutschmarks for deliveries to Israel this year. The same amount is due to be earmarked in the 1953-54 budget.

Meanwhile, a trade delegation will probably leave here at the end of the week for talks with Egypt and the other Arab League states, Government sources said.

Boehm Gives Lie to Schacht Attack on Reparations

HAMBURG, Monday (INA). — Hjalmar Schacht's recent statement in Damascus that West Germany signed the reparations agreement with Israel under foreign pressure and that it had not been a free decision, was termed an "obnoxious lie" by Professor Franz Boehm in an address to the Association for Christian-Jewish cooperation here today.

Prof. Boehm, who headed the German delegation to the talks, said that his Government acted of its own frees will and conducted the negotiations with the unanimous approval of the Bundestag.

He stressed that the agreement could not be scrapped for the sake of Arab-German friendship.

SHINNAR LEAVES FOR GERMANY

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Dr. P. Shinnar, head of the Israel Purchasing Mission in Germany, left Lydda by S.A.S. for Germany today. His visit had been arranged some weeks ago.

Political circles here stated today that there was no reason to think that the reparations agreement would not be ratified by the West German Parliament shortly. The Bundesrat and the Bundestag have lately been occupied with matters concerning the European Army. The Cabinet only this week returned from vacation, and has not yet had time to consider the agreement with Israel.

Nothing is known here of a reported suggestion by the German Chancellor that a neutral country should be appointed to check reparations goods destined for Israel.

Jordan to Boycott All Sessions With Israel Outside M.A.C.

Jordan has announced that it will boycott meetings with Israel representatives outside the meetings of the full M.A.C., the Near East Arab Broadcasting Station reported yesterday. Jordan will also refuse to sign any further subsidiary agreements with Israel.

Azmi Nashashibi, senior Jordan M.A.C. delegate, told a press conference in the Old City yesterday morning that Jordan had decided to abrogate the anti-infiltration agreement with Israel signed on December 30. This follows an announcement by an Israel Army spokesman last Friday, that Israel would not consider the agreement binding if Jordan persisted in her refusal to return three soldiers and a civilian driving instructor held by them, contrary to the terms of the agreement.

In answer to a question from the Associated Press yesterday, the Israel Army spokesman said, "We have not cancelled the agreement, but the fact that the Jordanians failed to fulfil its terms only six days after it was signed indicates that they had no intention of observing it."

He indicated that if the prisoners were returned, the agreement would continue in force, so far as Israel was concerned.

Terms of Agreement

The agreement provided for regular meetings of local commanders, the restoring of stolen goods, measures to combat infiltration, and the immediate return of soldiers who cross the borders by mistake.

The Jordan delegate said the agreement would be cancelled as from Thursday. In answer to the Israel Army spokesman's charge that the soldiers should have been returned immediately, he said they had been held in Jordan for "only a few days," and that "we shall not return the Israel soldiers until after interrogation."

Azmi Nashashibi then charged Israel with violating the same agreement by killing three Arabs in the course of the last ten days. The agreement, he said, forbids the opening of fire, except in defence. He said that Israel was violating the Armistice Agreement at the rate of one incident per day and the killing of one Arab every ten days.

Infiltration Explained

He claimed Israelis had perpetrated 728 border incidents between May, 1949, and December, 1952, killing 142 civilian Arabs in that period. He further claimed that Israel aircraft had violated Jordan territory 278 times and had killed four civilians and wounded six with machine-gun fire.

Asked by a foreign correspondent why Arabs infiltrated into Israel, Nashashibi replied that there were only two reasons: some crossed the lines in error and others to help their poor relations in the Israel Triangle who "almost die of hunger," Ramallah Radio reports.

The Jordan parliament will meet today in special session, at the request of Palestine-Arab opposition members, to discuss the whole Rhodes Agreement.

Electoral Plan Proposed

At a students' symposium in Jerusalem last night, Mr. S. Hararl, Progressive M.K., proposed a new electoral system under which 90 deputies would be elected by proportional representation of parties and 30 on a personal ballot.

Voters would put two papers into the ballot box, one of which would contain the names of ten individuals whom they wished to see in the Knesset.

Ike Becomes 34th U.S. President In Ceremony Today

WASHINGTON, Monday. — Cheerful crowds flooded the flag-decked capital for a final round of pre-inaugural celebrations for General Dwight D. Eisenhower, who is to be sworn in as the 34th President of the U.S. tomorrow.

The President-Elect arrived by special train from New York last night, and immediately sped to the Statler Hotel to prepare his inaugural address which will be a broad outline of his domestic and foreign policy aims for the next four years.

Mr. Eisenhower plans to remain in the hotel until the hour of departure for the private service in the National Presbyterian Church which will open tomorrow's inauguration programme. After the oath-taking ceremony in the Capitol Plaza, a 15km.-long parade will follow the President through the city, watched by a crowd which officials estimate will be more than 500,000.

The busiest man in town was President Truman, clearing up official affairs on his last full day at the White House. Like any other man preparing to leave his Washington job to return home, the President had to stop by his bank to attend personally to last details of his finances.

Mr. Truman had no plans to see Gen. Eisenhower until the latter drives up to the White House tomorrow for the trip they will make together to the Capitol for the inauguration. (AP, Reuter, UP)

New Economic Policy Fruitful, Council Says

The Government's New Economic Policy has been fruitful, and the recent rise in the value of the Israel pound in this country has been to a large extent the result of this Policy. However, the achievements of the Policy do ont suffice and the present credit restrictions seriously endanger the expansion of agricultural and industrial production.

These conclusions were reached by the Economic Advisory Council meeting in Jerusalem yesterday.

The Council proposed that enterprises in need of additional financing should first seek to realize assets which are not directly connected with production needs. The Treasury, through the funds at its disposal and its power to direct the banks, should encourage them in this direction.

The Treasury should also see to what extent credits given by banks serve the constructive branches of the economy, and to what extent means can be diverted to them from other sources.

The Council also proposed that the Treasury work with the banks to alter the present unhealthy relation between notes in circulation and bank deposits. One measure would be raising the rates of interest on short-term deposits.

Gov't Warns Communists Against Backing Anti-Jewish Campaigns

Communist Members Are Isolated

By SRAYA SHAPIRO

Feeling ran high in the Knesset during the Moscow debate on Communist anti-semitism yesterday. There was almost complete unanimity on the question and this provoked the Communist members. Their interruptions and shouts and the resultant arguments across the floor, frequent poundings of the Speaker's gavel, made the House, for almost three hours, heave and gasp with indignation, shame, pity, hatred and hope.

The meeting began a quarter of an hour late — an unusual occurrence in the Knesset. The public gallery was crowded, and there were few unoccupied places in the hall and around the Government table. The Prime Minister came to hear the proceedings, but walked out when the Communist speaker went up to the rostrum.

Session Begins Calmly

The session started calmly. Mr. Meir Argov, Chairman of the Foreign and Defence Committee, asked for a debate on the Moscow anti-semitic accusations. He was speaking for all coalition parties, except Mizrahi. The accusations, Mr. Argov said, had a familiar sound for Jews with long memories. The case strangely resembled the Damascus libel of 113 years ago, when seven Jews were falsely accused of murdering an Italian priest. Under inhuman treatment, one of the accused died, another embraced Islam, and the others were forced to "confess."

Jews all over the free world (Mr. Argov continued) at that time rallied to fight the accusations. The present trumped-up charges against seven Jewish physicians, accused only because they are Jews, cannot be passed over without stern protest, he added, not only because of the slander, but because it spelt possible annihilation for the two million Jews under the Kremlin rule.

The two Jewish Communists in the Knesset, Mr. S. Mikunis and Miss E. Wilenska, who sat in the front line of benches, periodically interrupted Mr. Agrov who paid no attention to them. Mr. Tewfik Toubi, the Arab Communist, sat calmly on a back bench seemingly aloof from his colleagues. On the Mapam benches, Mr. Bar Yehuda was busy writing, others read or tried to look calmly disinterested. Mr. Y. Ben Aharon stood up once or twice and nervously asked "when would the speaker finish?"

Preparing for War

Mr. Argov was profoundly moved. He was followed by Mr. Menahem Begin, who, for once, was not attacking the Government. The Jews were being made a scapegoat in Soviet Russia because Moscow was preparing the "Ivan Ivanovich" of Russia for a new war. A Russian peasant could easily be stirred to fight a German aggressor, whom he knew from previous wars. But he could be induced to fight America only if he was persuaded that America was identical with Jews. For Jews the Russian had hated a very long time. "I was in Russia during the World War, I know," Mr. Begin said.

He was interrupted by Mr. Mikunis. "You had better take care, Mr. Mikunis," Mr. Begin retorted. "Somebody might remember you had met Mr. Ben Gurion, and Mr. Ben Gurion had met Mr. Truman..." Mr. Mikunis remained silent till the end of Mr. Begin's speech.

Rabbi Y. M. Levin, Agudat Yisrael, said he was never a Zionist, but nobody should imagine it was possible to differentiate between Jews. Neither he, nor Rabbi M. Nurok, Mizrahi, who related his experiences in Russia were interrupted. There would be no need of gas chambers in the U.S.S.R., Rabbi Nurok said. Death came slowly but surely to the deportees. He demanded that the Communist members be excluded from the Knesset. The House was comparatively calm during the speech of Mr. D. Livshits, of the Le'Ahdut Ha'avodah Knesset faction.

There was an uproar, however, when Mr. Ya'acov Hazan began to speak. For a time, it was a debate between him and Mr. Eliezer Livneh, Mapai, who was echoed by the veteran Shlomo

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Full Text of Sharett Statement

The full text of the Foreign Minister's statement in the Knesset yesterday follows:—

The statement on the Prague trial made on behalf of the Government in the Knesset on the 25th November 1952, contained the following passage:

"In this hour our hearts go out to the masses of our brethren who are cut off from the main body of their people, denied any contact with the State of Israel and other sections of Jewry, and are forced to bear their lot in isolation and solitude. Our voice may not reach them but our hearts are heavy with anxiety for them, their well-being and their future fate."

This anxiety has proved justified and is now shared by the entire House of Israel throughout the world.

World Shocked

In the early hours of January 13th an official statement was issued in Moscow on the arrest of nine Soviet physicians, including seven of unmistakable Jewish identity, on the charge of having allegedly executed and planned murderous activities of a most revolting and abominable kind at the instance of a celebrated American-Jewish organization, represented as a gang of blood-thirsty spies. The report shocked world opinion which saw in it, and in the consequences likely to follow from it, a campaign of atrocity, propaganda and terrorization embarked upon by the Soviet authorities against their Jewish nationals.

This time again, as in the case of the Prague trial, the falseness of the indictment is inherently demonstrated. The charge that a whole group of renowned physicians was guilty of the deliberate murder of patients entrusted to their care is something utterly inconceivable to any human being. But even if one ignores the monstrous character of the crime itself, its fantastic motives are sufficient to tear the whole accusation to pieces. This is manifest from the presentation of the American Joint Distribution Committee, famous throughout the world for its beneficent relief activities, as an international instrument of espionage and murder.

Justice Obeys State

Under the regime prevailing in the U.S.S.R. and in the States attached to it, the administration of justice is the obedient arm of State power and an instrument of its policy. Just as in all the activities of the Government the investigation of crimes against the regime itself and their exposure in public is done according to plan, with nothing left to chance. It was not accidental that 11 of the 14 accused and all the witnesses produced in the Prague trial were Jews; the prosecution itself emphasized this point throughout the proceedings, and drew far-reaching conclusions from it. Nor is it accidental that at least seven out of the nine accused physicians in Moscow and their alleged two liaison agents are Jews.

The denunciation of Zionism and the State of Israel which played so prominent a part in the Prague trial and the slander against a world-famous Jewish public body which accompanies the charge against the physicians in Moscow both reveal a definite design and clearly show its underlying purpose. In the propaganda campaign now in progress throughout the Communist bloc, these two affairs are linked together as springing from one source — the alleged plot-mongering indulged in by Jewish public organizations, above all by the Zionist Movement.

The fear that throughout the world outside the Soviet Bloc the Moscow announcement is regarded as a fabrication clearly shows that the whole affair is designed exclusively for internal consumption. Its purpose is, first of all, to frighten the great Jewish community of the Soviet Union and the Jewish communities in the States allied to it, and secondly, to prepare the populations of those countries for possible reprisals against the Jews.

The State of Israel will not remain in the face of no attempt made by any power to defame the name of the Jewish people and of a danger threatening masses of the Jews wherever they may be.

The Government of Israel has regarded friendship with the U.S.S.R. as one of the assets of its international position and as a source of gratification for the whole Jewish people. It views with deep sorrow and grave anxiety the pernicious anti-Jewish course officially adopted in the U.S.S.R., which must arouse vehement indignation and condemnation on the part of the State of Israel and the Jews throughout the world.

Middle Ages Pattern

In the consciousness of the Jewish people the Moscow libel is of the same category as the charge of well-poisoning levelled against the Jews in the Middle Ages or that of the killing of Christian children for ritual purposes. It recalls to our memory the Beilis trial, staged by the Tsarist regime in 1913, with this difference, that Beilis was not forced to plead guilty, but was given a chance of being defended by the best lawyers of Russia. The people of the State of Israel and multitudes of Jews throughout the world are convinced that the accused are innocent, regardless of admissions forced from them. Similarly, all those familiar with the work of the Joint Distribution Committee have no doubt as to the purity of its activities and reject indignantly the attempt to besmirch its name.

The Government of Israel will expose to the U.N. and on every platform the campaign of hooliganism against the Jewish people and its competent public bodies now going on in the countries under Communist rule and will raise its voice in warning of the danger which threatens millions of Jews living there.

The Government of Israel will continue to demand with the utmost vigour that all Jews who desire to seek their salvation in Zion shall be permitted to do so.

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Mapam Split

The voting at the close of the proceedings was noteworthy for the split revealed in Mapam ranks. The motion, put up by the Communists, opposed any Knesset action in the matter. Dr. Sneh, Messrs. Rustum Bastuni, Abraham Berman and Ya'akov Riftin voted with the Communists, Mr. Eliezer Peri and Dr. Hannan Rubin abstained and the remaining Mapam members voted with the coalition and the right-wing opposition against the Communist proposal, which was defeated 89-8.

A Mapam motion for a debate was also defeated, with members of Dr. Sneh's "Left Brigade" abstaining. By 29 votes to six, the House later voted to refer the issue to the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee.

The Communist spokesman, Mr. Shmuel Mikunis, was twice forced to retract statements. When he referred to the Moscow physicians as "a band of murderous doctors," Mrs. Shoshana Persitz from the General Zionist benches shouted "enough," and there was a clamour for Mr. Mikunis to withdraw. The Speaker would not let him continue unless he retracted his remark. Later Mr. Mikunis referred to "a group of doctors who betrayed their people" and he touched off another outburst. Mr. Sprinzak again made him retract.

At one point during Mr. Mikunis' speech, Mr. Shalom Zysman (General Zionist), a rugged, athletic back-bencher, moved to the front of the hall shouting "stop" as though he proposed to force the Communist off the rostrum. Mr. Sprinzak ordered him back to his place and the sergeant-at-arms, Alut-Mishneh Yerahmiel Belkind, then took up a position near the platform to protect the Communist.

Trial of 10 'Spies' Opens in Bulgaria

LONDON, Monday (UP). — Ten Bulgarians went on trial in Sofia today charged with setting up an American-financed spy ring to help overthrow the Government.

The official Bulgarian news agency said the public prosecutor handed the tribunal "documents proving the guilt" of the ten accused who are said to have been operating from a U.S. secret service base in Turkey. The agency quoted the indictment as saying that the ten accused "spies" worked to "organize a counter-revolution in Bulgaria with the help of foreign armed intervention."

The names of the accused were given as T. S. Khristov, M. A. Strahilov, L. N. Khristov, D. A. Serafimov, L. S. Fudev, K. A. Arnaudov, G. D. Ivanov, B. T. Uzunov, V. H. Sapundiev and B.I. Stoyanov.

It is recalled here that just over a year ago ten Bulgarians were tried on similar charges of espionage on behalf of the U.S. and Turkey. Sources here said the arrest of the ten men now facing trial is apparently intended as retaliation for alleged frontier violations by Turkey.

Ex-U.S. Soldiers Plead Not Guilty to Spying

WASHINGTON, Monday (Reuter).—Two former American soldiers pleaded not guilty today to charges of spying in U.S. military surveys as members of an espionage ring directed from the Soviet Embassy here.

Otto Verber and Kurt Ponger, arrested in Vienna last week, entered their pleas before Judge Alexander Holtzhoff, who set their trial for March 2.

Zionist General Council May Be Convened

Convening the Zionist General Council in connection with the latest threat to East European Jewry was discussed by the Jewish Agency Executive yesterday after the Chairman, Mr. Berl Locker, introduced the subject.

It was suggested that contact be made with world Jewish organizations for the purpose of combined action against attacks on the Zionist Movement and the Jewish people.

The Executive decided to hold urgent consultations with members of the Agency Executive in New York to clarify what action should be taken.

300 Jews Have Fled From East Germany

BERLIN, Monday—Thirty Jewish refugees from East Germany arrived in West Berlin today, bringing the number who have fled in the past month to about 300, Western officials announced.

Mr. Heinz Galinski, head of the Berlin Jewish community, said today's arrivals were fleeing from threatened arrest as "Zionist spies."

It was announced today that Friedrich Kirmer, head of the East German Liberal Democratic Party's training college, fled to West Berlin a few days ago.

Kirmer said he had fled for fear of becoming a victim of the persecution which followed the arrest last month of the Liberal Party's chairman and East German Supply Minister, Dr. Karl Hamann, who was blamed for East Germany's supply shortage and accused of sabotage. *(Reuter, UP)*

Hungarian Jews in Panic After Stoeckler Arrest

VIENNA, Monday (Reuter). — A traveller arriving here today from Budapest stated that the arrest of Dr. Lajos Stoeckler, leader of the Hungarian Jewish community, had caused panic among Hungarian Jews.

As a result of this arrest panic has spread among the Jewish officials, doctors, bankers and others who up to now have had little to fear. The fact that Premier Rakosi and many other important Ministers and party leaders were Jewish, although not known to be Zionists, had kept the Jewish community in Hungary calm until now.

Not only will over 10,000 Hungarian Jews be deprived of the help from the "Joint" but many thousands of others who have relatives in Israel or who were formerly connected with the Zionist movement were now reported to be "in a state of great apprehension."

89-6 Vote Condemns Soviet Anti-Semitism

By MOSHE BRILLIANT

Government action against groups in Israel supporting the anti-Jewish instigations behind the Iron Curtain was threatened in the Knesset yesterday by Foreign Minister Sharett at the close of a discussion on the Moscow medical murder libel. The House signified its assent, at the end of the speech, by voting (89-6) to refer the question to the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee.

Mr. Sharett said in an official declaration, "Any attempt by persons and public bodies in Israel to justify or defend campaigns of anti-Jewish instigation which imperils the safety of Jews in any land will be regarded by the Government of Israel as a hostile act against the State of Israel, from which all the necessary consequences will be drawn."

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3. The Communists accepted the guilt of the Jewish doctors, but said that the Soviets had not identified them with the Jewish nation. Only in the official Israel reaction had the doctors been identified with the Jewish people, they claimed. Both Mapam and the Communists charged that the Government was inflating the whole affair in order to prepare public opinion for the participation of Israel in the Western Powers' aggression against Soviet Russia.

Mapam Split

The voting at the close of the proceedings was noteworthy for the split revealed in Mapam ranks. The motion, put up by the Communists, opposed any Knesset action in the matter. Dr. Sneh, Messrs. Rustum Bastuni, Abraham Berman and Ya'akov Riftin voted with the Communists, Mr. Eliezer Peri and Dr. Hannan Rubin abstained and the remaining Mapam members voted with the coalition and the right-wing opposition against the Communist proposal, which was defeated 89-8.

A Mapam motion for a debate was also defeated, with members of Dr. Sneh's "Left Brigade" abstaining. By 29 votes to six, the House later voted to refer the issue to the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee.

The Communist spokesman, Mr. Shmuel Mikunis, was twice forced to retract statements. When he referred to the Moscow physicians as "a band of murderous doctors," Mrs. Shoshana Persitz from the General Zionist benches shouted "enough," and there was a clamour for Mr. Mikunis to withdraw. The Speaker would not let him continue unless he retracted his remark. Later Mr. Mikunis referred to "a group of doctors who betrayed their people" and he touched off another outburst. Mr. Sprinzak again made him retract.

At one point during Mr. Mikunis' speech, Mr. Shalom Zysman (General Zionist), a rugged, athletic back-bencher, moved to the front of the hall shouting "stop" as though he proposed to force the Communist off the rostrum. Mr. Sprinzak ordered him back to his place and the sergeant-at-arms, Alut-Mishneh Yerahmiel Belkind, then took up a position near the platform to protect the Communist.

DUBEK 10

Social & Personal

President Ben-Zvi received a delegation of members of the Agricultural Centre yesterday in Jerusalem, composed of Messrs. A. Harzfeld, Y. Horin, S. Kisarli, N. Harpaz, and S. Neuman. The President also received a delegation of Freemasons.

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Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, M.P. former Chancellor of the Exchequer, left by El Al yesterday for London.

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A memorial meeting on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the death of Max Nordau is to be held at 8.30 tomorrow evening in the Keren Hayesod hall in Jerusalem. Mr. Karl Locker, Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, will preside and the speakers will be Prof. Benzion Dinur, Minister of Education, and Mr. Zalman Shazar, of the Executive.

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The Minister of Health, Mr. Y. Serlin, accompanied by senior officials, visited Ministry of Health institutions in Jerusalem yesterday, including the Lepers' Hospital and the Avihail Hospital for Tuberculosis patients.

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The Deputy-Minister of Social Welfare, Dr. S. Rosenberg, visited the Ministry's offices and institutions in Tel Aviv on Sunday.

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Mr. Haim Levanon, Acting Mayor of Tel Aviv, has been appointed a member of the National Loan Public Committee in succession to Mr. Israel Rokach, the Minister of Interior.

Acting Mayor Levanon last week sent a message of congratulations to the city's Freeman, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, former President of the Z.O.A., on his 60th birthday.

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Mr. P. Saphir, head of the Development Division of the Finance Ministry, left by El Al for the U.S. yesterday in connection with capital investments.

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Mr. Menahem Bein, Deputy Controller of Foreign Currency, left by El Al yesterday for London on behalf of his department.

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Aluf-Mishneh Simon Syrkin, Military Attache to the countries of Western Europe, returned to Paris by El Al yesterday after a brief visit.

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Among the passengers who left by B.O.A.C. from Lydda Airport yesterday morning were: Mr. M. Brin, Controller of Foreign Exchange in Jerusalem, and Mr. H. Haller, of the K.K.L., who, respectively, left for London and Rome.

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Mr. David Weingarten, head of the Jewish Agency's Immigration Department in the U.S., left for New York yesterday after consultations here regarding the immigration of American technicians and experts.

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This year's Hebrew University scholarship in memory of Tuvia Kushnir, one of the 23 who fell in the attempt to relieve Etzion, is to be awarded to Mr. Daniel Ziv of Degania Bet for his work on photoperiodism. The presentation is to be made today at 11.30 at the Department of Botany in Talbieh, Jerusalem.

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Mr. Wellesley Aron, Senior Representative, Pan American World Airways, Inc., and Managing Director, Aron Advertising Ltd., and Mrs. Aron have returned to Tel Aviv after join an extended visit to the U.S.

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MARRIAGE

TUCHLER—BROOK

The marriage took place in Washington between Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tuchler, and Ziona, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Brook, both of Tel Aviv.

LATIN BALLET PERFORMANCE

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The gala performance of the Latin America Ballet in Ramat Gan last night was attended by Foreign Minister Sharett; the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf M. Makleff and numerous members of the Diplomatic Corps. The Ballet gave colourful choreographic representations of life and customs in Mexico, Paraguay and Argentina.

The Ballet, the first of the foreign artists brought here this season by Messrs. Gillon-Ginsburg, impresarios, will remain in Israel for three weeks.

Malan Urges All-Africa Charter

NEW YORK, Monday (UP). — South African Premier Daniel Malan yesterday called for an African Charter to frame an all-African policy to govern the continent. In an interview with the "New York Times," Dr. Malan suggested that Britain, France, Belgium, Portugal and South Africa draw up the charter.

"Africa must belong to the Africans," he told Mr. C. L. Sulzberger, the "Times" correspondent. The charter would close the door permanently to Asian immigrants, raise the natives to the standards of "European Christian civilization," ban Communist activities and prevent any militarization of natives for use as troops abroad.

He declared, "Mr. Nehru must be prevented from unloading his surplus population on Africa where the poor native cannot compete with the Indian merchant."

Of South Africa's future, the Premier predicted that it would eventually become a republic and its relations with the British Commonwealth would depend on the latter.

He reaffirmed South Africa's intention of remaining a founder member of the Middle East Defence Organization, because the Middle East "is really the door to Africa."

Dr. Malan said that South Africa would like to become a member of NATO, because "we wish to ally ourselves with anti-Communist countries . . . Personally, I'd rather be in NATO than in U.N. It is a better safeguard for world peace."

AT THE CINEMA

"THE Golden Horde" (Orion, J'lem) is an oriental extravaganza set in "Universal's" medieval Samarkand, so familiar from many similar productions that one knows one's way about the set, especially as, for the benefit of European knight errants and such like, the street signs are in English. David Farrar, a Crusader and military advisor to the Government of Samarkand, makes an equally familiar impression because he behaves exactly like a Palestine Police sergeant. He ends up as the consort of the Princess of Samarkand (Ann Blyth), who in various gorgeous undresses breaks up the shaky coalition of Tatars and Calmuecks, cleverly disguising her cleverness so that no one notices her acting at all. There is a lot of good horseplay and more wholesale slaughters than one would have considered possible before the invention of gun-powder. The script insists on pseudo-historical background spelling embarrassment in school for the believing teen-agers, for whom such films are produced: the Crusaders, after all, were allies of the Tartars against the Moslems and Gengis Khan took Samarkand. And how! *Th. F.M.*

Gershwintoxication

"AN American in Paris" (Eden, J'lem), directed by Vincente Minelli, is the all-Gershwin-musical we were yearning for. The adventures of an ex-G.I. in gay Paree constitute the "Biography of Mr. Anonymous" based on the presupposition that he is an artist. Oscar Levant, a quasi anonymous impersonation of Gershwin, is the composer-pianist, who in a day-dream-sequence acts in a one man-show, as the piano concerto-soloist, conductor and the all-round musician, playing every instrument.

Gene Kelly is his painter-pal, who finds a patroness in alluring Nina Foch. But he can't help loving sweet Leslie Caron, who is engaged to the chansonnier Georges Guetray, who looked after her during the Nazi occupation. One of the numbers featuring 16 girls on a stair-case bears a striking resemblance to Maurice Chevalier in "Love Parade." Leslie Caron is irresistible in her "Embraceable You," debut-dance. Gene Kelly has a new job as choreographer. He is charming in the "I Got Rhythm" street-scene with Parisian "gosses." But the apotheosis is the Art Students' New Year's bacchanale, a feast of relaxation, with imaginative decor and costumes. There is the striking song and dance piano duo by Kelly and Levant. "It's Wonderful, It's Marvellous," a haunting number. The most original and graceful musical extravaganza since Lennie Bernstein's "On the Town."

Yanks and Tanks

"THE Tanks Are Coming" (Orion, J'lem) is the story of the fierce preparations for breaking through the "Siegfried" line, after the liberation of France. This is a true-to-life record without false heroics. The G.I.'s are never glamourized, but portrayed sympathetically by Steve Cochrane, Philip Carey, Mary Holden. This realistic picture has tension and it is especially satisfying that the captured Nazis, like the young S.S. general, are not treated with kid gloves.

As a special attraction there is a short on Cab Calloway's phenomenal jazz.

Hugo and Cocteau

VICTOR Hugo's romantic drama "Ruy Blas," (Arnon, J'lem) that perennial success of the "Comedie Francaise", was elegantly adapted to the screen with dialogue by Jean Cocteau. The polished production is full of the grandiose, reminiscent of El Greco and the pompous, didactic drama it set in the grand manner. Jean Marais, as in all previous Cocteau films, is the dashing lover and Danielle Darrieux is the lovely queen. The excellent incidental music is by Georges Auric.

FRANGO

Counterfeiters

YET another crime film creating its plot on a documentary basis, "Southside 1-1000" (Amphitheatre, Haifa) deals with the task of the F.B.I. in discovering a gang of forgers. At the very start, the counterfeit notes are traced to a convict working in prison. What are the outside contacts to whom the plates are passed for printing and how are the notes put into circulation? The initial steps proceed with astonishing good fortune; a link in the chain is caught redhanded. While out on bail, this man is murdered. The search must begin all over again, the sole clue being the name of a respectable hotel in Los Angeles. From California the chase moves eastward to Cleveland, scene of the expected denouement. Daniel Defore plays the detective who gets to work on the gang leader (a part played by Andrea King) through a flirtation and finally sends her to her death. Combined talk and commentary keep "Southside 1-1000" in continuous action and, while not in the highest class, it can be recommended to fans of this category of films.

Good Story

RAY Milland, having appeared in "Lost Weekend," now finds himself booked for any production on drink. He is the advertising agent who, having been cured by Alcoholics Anonymous, is obliged to help fellow sufferers. He is called to the assistance of an actress, a part filled as charmingly as ever by Joan Fontaine. She has taken to drink because she is losing her grip on the stage; he too is tempted to return to drink because his talents are slipping. She is unmarried; he has a wife and two children. The inevitable friendship springs up between the pair, although his home life is perfectly happy. Indeed a word must be said for the performance of Theresa Wright in the usually difficult role of a normal, quiet housewife. The actress and the agent influence each other sufficiently to restore their respective professional standings while domesticity is saved. In spite of too abrupt a finale, "Something to Live For" (Armon, Haifa) makes a good story that keeps well within the bounds of probability. *H.*

REVIEW OF YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Moscow Libels Exercise Entire Press

The Knesset debate on the Moscow accusations was foreshadowed by editorials in yesterday's press. "Davar" (Histadrut) said that the Knesset should concentrate on demanding free emigration of Jews from behind the Iron Curtain to Israel as a constructive answer to the Soviet anti-semitic challenge, rather than enter into "sterile and unequal polemics" against the titanic forces that have risen against us. The paper expresses deep anxiety about the fate of Soviet Jewry and compares the day when the blood-libel against the physicians was announced, with the day of Hitler's ascendance to power twenty years ago.

"Hatzofe" (Misrahi and Hapoel Hamizrahi), on the other hand, warns against "rash comparisons," exaggerated outbursts and panicky burning of bridges. The situation is too grave for us to permit the luxury of unrestrained expression of sentiments as has happened during recent days, the paper says, and urges that every reaction to the present Soviet campaign should be weighed carefully, and every step which, while satisfying legitimate feelings of anger, might be harmful to the Jews concerned should be avoided. The Knesset should defend Jewish honour and express Jewish and Zionist solidarity against the heinous onslaught, "Hatzofe" emphasizes.

Against Debate

Another Orthodox paper, "Hakol," the organ of Agudat Israel dissidents who are not represented in the Knesset, even doubted the wisdom of a parliamentary debate on the Moscow allegations. While the debate on the Prague trial was justified, since the State of Israel and her diplomatic representatives were involved in the allegations, a discussion at present can only give one more occasion for party leaders to make anti-Communist speeches, but would not in the least alleviate the dangerous situation of Russian Jewry, the paper points out. It expresses the opinion that the Soviet bloc might now be more inclined to permit the emigration of Jews for the very reason that they have become suspect in the eyes of the Communist rulers, and therefore Russia might no longer be interested to keep their manpower and brains behind the Iron Curtain.

"Herut" speaks out against such tactical arguments and urges energetic measures, both in the field of mobilising public opinion against Soviet anti-semitism and of saving Jews behind the Iron Curtain. Russian foreign policy is realistic, and if she sees that her anti-Jewish crusade is met vigorously, she might change her attitude, the paper says.

In the same paper, Dr. Y. Bader, M.K., while asserting his anti-Communist views, warns of outlawing the Israel Communist Party, as advocated by certain circles. The defence of freedom of thought cannot be bought by surrender to "ideological collectivism" and other totalitarian methods, the Herut leader emphasizes.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) asserts that "Davar's" call for suppressing the C.P. reflects the political weakness and fears of Israel's present rulers who are afraid of the paper's criticism of their policy. The paper refutes "Davar's" statement that the Moscow accusations mean a "blood-libel against the whole Jewish people," since neither the Jewish people nor the national origin of those accused have been mentioned at all in Moscow.

Western Orientation

"Haboker" (General Zionist) calls for a clear-cut Western orientation of Israel foreign policy, since, according to the paper, the *fata morgana* of neutrality, as well as hopes of social changes in the neighbouring Arab countries and of early peace with them, should by now have vanished. Commenting on events in Egypt, the paper asserts that once more it has been proved that Israel is the only reliable State in this part of the world, and that the West could send its jet planes directly to Moscow, instead of the Arab countries, because in case of war, these planes would easily fall into the hands of Russian airborne troops. But in order to convince the West of Israel's usefulness, we should consolidate the State ideologically and economically, show diplomatic initiative and use the good services of the Zionist movement abroad.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) comments on unemployment which will today be discussed in the Knesset, and urges energetic measures, criticizing the alleged lack of economic planning by the Government.

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) calls for economising in the structure of the Government machinery, and suggests, *inter alia*, the reduction of the number of ministries from 15 to 11, by merging the Ministries of Police and Religions with the Ministry of the Interior, of the Ministry of Social Welfare with the Ministry of Health and of the Ministry of Communications with the Ministry of Post. In addition, the paper advocates the abolition of "press officers" in the different Ministries, since they only make difficulties for journalists and instead of supplying news, act as professional apologists for their respective Ministries.

Poland Says U.S. Parachuting Spies

LONDON, Monday (AP). — Poland has sent the U.S. a stiff note charging the Americans with waging a "large scale espionage campaign" in the country, Warsaw Radio reported on Saturday night.

The broadcast, monitored here, said two Polish nationals were caught after being parachuted into Poland last November 4 from an American military plane based in West Germany. The accused agents were identified as Stefan Skrzyszowski, 25, and Dionisy Sosnowski, 22. They were said to have carried pistols, radio and signalling equipment, vials containing poison and American uniforms.

Warsaw Radio quoted the note as saying this was only one of many instances during the last 18 months of "infiltration by spies and saboteurs into Poland who had been trained by the U.S. secret service in the Western sector of Berlin."

The protest note was handed to the American Embassy in Warsaw on Friday. It said that Skrzyszowski held false documents under the name of Felix Zalewski, and Sosnowski under that of Adam Zagorski.

Skrzyszowski stated, according to the note, that they fell into the net of the special service of the intelligence service, the aim being to organise spying, diversion and sabotage in Poland. They received training with eight other spy candidates near Frankfurt.

The note gave details of their training, and said, "Twice weekly, apart from the usual criminal American films, special films were shown disclosing the secrets of spying and diversion."

Hapoel Volleyball Champs. Continue

The 12th Hapoel Volleyball Championships continued over the week-end with the Samaria District finals at Givat Haim. As a result of these games the men's teams of Gan Shmuel and Ma'anit and youth sides of Ben Shemer and Ma'barot moved onto the quarter-finals proper.

The results were: MEN: Gan Shmuel beat Hamk'apil, 15-1, 15-6; Ma'anit bt. Givat Haim, 15-1, 15-8 and Hamk'apil, 15-5, 15-5. YOUTH: Ben Shemer bt. Ein Hahoresh, 15-1, 15-2; Ma'abarot bt. Givat Haim, 15-7, 12-15, 15-4.

In the Jordan Valley finals earlier, the results were: Rehovot ONT Sek. bt. Gadna Trainees Sei (South), 15-11, 15-2; Rehovot Hahelmin bt. Rehovot Yehiam, 15-9, 6-15, 15-3.

World Hakoah Meeting Planned

Former members of the famous Vienna Hakoah are planning to hold a World Congress in Israel during the Fourth Maccabia, after a 15-years lapse. All former members are invited to forward their names and addresses to Mr. Hanoch Finer, P.O.B.4111, Tel Aviv.

Pfefferbaum Wins 'Yedioth Aharonot' Cup

Tel Aviv Maccabi North's Pfefferbaum downed the Maccabi champion, clubmate Finkelstein, 21/18, 16/21, 21/17 to win the "Yedioth Aharonot" Cup in the final at the Tel Aviv Maccabi North Hall on Saturday night (earlier report given on Sunday).

In the earlier results Finkelstein had beaten the tough Tel Aviv Maccabi man, Tureka, 21/19, 21/11, and Pfefferbaum defeated the non-affiliated player, Yoshua, by two games to one, after a stiff battle.

Close Soccer 'Friendlies'

The two soccer "Friendlies" which were held over the week-end brought odd-goal wins for the home sides. Ramat Gan Maccabi beat Rehovot Hapoel by 2-1, after a goal-less first half, with Velitza and Barbiatt scoring for the winners and Ginsberg for the losers. Meanwhile at Rehovot the local Maccabi side gained a dour 4-3 victory over Kfar Saba Hapoel after an equal three-goals-all first half. The goals came from: (for Rehovot) Shrager (2), Shushiev and Hirschkovitz; (for Kfar Saba) Avrotski (2) and Friedman.

(Results given Sunday)

University Beats "Y"

The Hebrew University team gained a win against the Y.M.C.A. in a return basketball game last Thursday in the Capital by a narrow margin of 31 points to 28.

The basketball games reported on Sunday, held at Givat Haim, were for youth sides. In addition to their wins against Mossad Masaryk and Acre (as given), Yagur also defeated Kfar Ata, 46-28.

In a game between children's sides at Givat Haim, the home team defeated the youngsters from Ein Hahoresh, 20-2.

Hapoel Table Tennis Champs.

Hapoel are to hold their table tennis championships in Rishon le-Zion on February 6 and 7. The winner in the men's section will gain the Cup presented by the town's Mayor, Mr. Moshe Gavin.

Haifa Boxing Results

The complete results of the Maccabi boxing tournament which took place in Haifa over the week-end (briefly reported Sunday) were:

FLY-WEIGHT: Nissim (Tel Aviv) and Touri (Haifa) fought a draw. In the opening round the Haifa man exploited his long reach to go in front on points. Nissim took over the attack in the second to even matters while the third round was even.

BANTAM-WEIGHT: Gavriel (T.A.) managed to stay a little in front of Ta'or (Haifa) in all three rounds to gain the verdict.

FEATHER-WEIGHT: Kaplow (T.A.) beat Reichstat (Haifa) in a hard-punching bout with the Tel Avivian ever going ahead on points in the second and third rounds. In the second contest in this division, experienced Oved (Haifa) found Sasson (T.A.) no easy meat but used his greater ring-craft and experience to gain his expected victory.

LIGHT-WEIGHT: The best bout of the card saw Nathanya's Y. Benvenisti edge Moshe Cohen (T.A.) in a clever technical "exhibition."

LIGHT WELTER-WEIGHT: This featured two newcomers to Harris (Haifa) and Rezuk (T.A.) in a nice show, with the Haifa man gaining the decision. Another even bout took place in this division between Budoch (Haifa) and Weissman (T.A.), with the referees giving the win to the Haifa man.

WELTER-WEIGHT: Weissfisch (Haifa) fought hard, exploiting the weakness of Zavi. (Nathanya) and went well ahead on points in the first two rounds, but sprained his hand in the third and retired for the Nathanya man to gain the verdict.

HEAVY-WEIGHT: Young Adler (Haifa), surprised veteran Lazarov (T.A.), with his ability to take punishment and fight back to gain the ascendancy. His rounds, however, withdrew him in the third round, to the surprise of the spectators, for Lazarov to get the win.

Referees were: Alexander Segal and Shlomo Adir, Judges: Dr. Neuman, Ionova and Shaw. As reported, Haifa Maccabi gained five wins and a draw, Tel Aviv, three wins and one draw, and Nathanya, one win.

I.F.A. Dispute Still Pending

The dispute between the Hapoel and Maccabi members of the Israel Football Association in connection with approving match results was not dealt with by the Committee last week, as scheduled, owing to the indisposition of an Hapoel legal representative. His replacement in order to speed up settlement of the matter has been agreed to by Maccabi.

The rift occurred some weeks ago when the Committee met to pass the final results of last season's games. Differences arose between Hapoel and Maccabi members which were controlled when both organizations agreed to place the matter before a Fact-Finding Committee of the I.F.A.

Haim Edelson Street Run

The annual Haim Edelson Memorial Run through the streets of Tel Aviv, organized by Tel Aviv Maccabi North, will be held this year on February 28.

Yitzhak Sadeh Memorial Wrestling Contest

Four Hapoel teams from Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa and Kiryat Haim, comprising eight members of all weights, are to contest a team wrestling contest on January 28 in memory of Yitzhak Sadeh.

Maccabi vs. Hapoel Boxing

Selected teams from Maccabi and Hapoel are to meet in a boxing tournament at the end of February, according to an agreement reached between the two bodies.

STOCK MARKET

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JAN. 19		Rise or Fall
Govt. Loan		
3½—1953 (reg.)	109	—
—1955 (reg.)	102½	—
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Pop. Loan		
1949/50 (IL.10)	103	—
1950/75 (IL.10)	97	—
3½% Trust Dollar	104½	—1c)
3½% Nat. Loan (large)	263	—3c)
6 Loans Cons. sh.	230	—
A.P.B. Invest.	963	—
4½% Debs. 50/70	97½	—
4½½% Pref. sh.	113½	—
Ord. sh. 'B'		—
Gen. Mortg. Bk.	83	—
4½% Debs. 48/63	81½	—
6% Pref. sh.		—
Discr. Debs.		
4½ 56/65	91½	—
4½ ½ 62/66 reg.	83½	—
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6% Pref. sh.	97½	—
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Pal. Potash 6% Pref. sh.	153½	—
"A" Ord. sh.	91	—1
Pal. Elec. Ord. sh. (Inc.)	155	—1
Mekoroth Pref. sh.	64½	—
Ata 4½ "C" Pref. sh.	97	—
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Where to go

JERUSALEM

9-4: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo: Reptiles Hse 15. Feeding times 3-3 p.m.

8.30-12.30, 2-6: American Library and Reading Room, U.S. Consulate, Mamilla Road. Entrance Free.

9-1: 2-5: Exhibitions: Old Paintings and Drawings by Boudel Schotz. Lithographs by Honore Daumier (1808-1879), graciously donated by Mr. W. G. R. Allen of Boston, U.S.A. Recent Israel Prints. From the collection of the Museum. Exhibit of the month: "Our La'z of Tenderness." Russian Icons, 15th Century. Recent acquisition of the National Museum, Bezalel.

9-4 Archaeological Exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities. Also Temporary exhibition.—Recent acquisitions: 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.

10-5: Sanhedria Tombs.

10-1, 4-6: Avigdor Arikha—Oil Paintings & Drawings. Ja'cov Wexler — Oil Paintings and Gouaches. Artists House 11.30-12.30: Film Show at Keren Hayesod Head Office.

8-5: Exhibition in memory of Dr. Chaim Weizmann. Zionist Central Archives. Entrance from 5 Rehov Ibn Gabirol, Yard, Rehovia.

★ TEL AVIV ★

8 p.m.: "Pick-Up Girl," Chamber Theatre: Mograbi Hall.

10-4: Memorial exhibition of the artist, Menahem Shemi (Schmidt): 126 paintings and drawings of the Ha-Museum.

★ HAIFA ★

10-5 p.m.: Exhibition of paintings and drawings "Old Masters" 16th & 17th Century — collection of M. Heveal — Municipal Museum — Town Hall.

★ HADERA ★

8.30 p.m.: "Li-La-Le," "Hof" Hall.

★ NATHANYA ★

8 p.m.: "Lady Precious Stream." Chamber Theatre.

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FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew 7, 7.59 a.m., 12.00, 1.30, 4.15, 6.15 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 1.15 & 6.30 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Reveille. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music While You Work. 11.00 Piano Recital. 11.70 Wind Instruments. 11.40 Music (R). 12.25 Programme for Hospitals (R). 12.30 At the Opera (R)). 1.45 Programme Announcements. 1.48 Break for Music. 3.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Variety. 4.45 Music (R). 5.30 Agricultural Corner. 5.40 Labour Corner. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety. 7.07 Programme Announcements. 7.10 "Voices, Instrument and Orchestra." (R). 7.35 Sports. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.24 Bible Reading. 8.45 Newsreel. 9.00 "Kol Yisrael" Orchestra: Conductor: Georg Singer. Soloist: Shelly Asher: Suite No. 1 (Bach); Spanish Rhapsody for Piano & Orchestra (Liszt-Busoni); Symphony No.4 (Schumann). 10.35 Requests. 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

468, 225, 216 & 41.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Chamber Music (R). 5.00 Programme for Youngsters. 5.30 Literature Corner. 5.50 Science Studio. 6.00 The Working Woman. 6.15 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (35.5, 41.9 & 468 M.): French: 6.30 p.m.; Latest: 7.00 p.m.; Yiddish: 7.30 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (31.3 M.): 11.15 p.m. Newsreel. 11.30 "The Jerusalem Forum." 11.45 Music.

ARMY PROGRAMME: (41.6, 31.6, 224 & 239 M.): 4.30 Opening. 4.35 Golden Programme. 7.30 Musical Dictionary. 7.50 Today's Events. 7.55 Melodies. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.30 News. 8.45 Military Quiz. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programme: 5-5.30 p.m. (11, 16, 19 & 25 M.); Life in These United States.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (24.92 & 19.46 M.): 6.30-7.00 p.m. News; Jewish Affairs; Matters Current.

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Tiberias	61	12	19	23
Haifa Airport	66	11	17	19
Nathanya	55	9	17	19
Hakirya	58	8	15	19
Lydda Airport	59	5	16	20
Jerusalem	49	8	11	15
Beersheba	39	4	16	23
Elath	33	7	24	28

FORECAST: Intermittent medium level cloudiness with southerly winds.

*A) Humidity at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maxim. temp. expected today.

QUANTITIES of children's clothes, valued at several hundred pounds, were stolen from two places in the Jerusalem Corridor on Sunday night. Tracks of two men led to the border.

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67 RESIDENTS left the country for overseas settlement in nine different countries in the s.s. Artza on Sunday. The largest group, 41, left for Canada.

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THE TEL AVIV DISTRICT Postmaster informed the Municipality this week that he would shortly set up a branch post office in Kiryat Shalom (Abu Kabir).

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AN ADVANCED refresher course for Jerusalem district teachers will be opened today at 3.30 p.m. at the Rehavia Secondary School.

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A SCHOOL for juvenile delinquents was opened in Acre yesterday when the first five were admitted. They included a 13-year-old who had been found guilty of 13 previous acts of petty theft, but released for lack of a suitable institution. The school has room for 30 boys.

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AN OLD MOTOR in a pumphouse in an abandoned grove in the South was dismantled and stolen on Sunday night. Workers in the morning found the tracks of two men and a camel and saw the marauders in the distance making their way across the border.

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CHARGED WITH failing to keep his books properly and to submit records to Ministry of Commerce controllers, Raphael Cohen, of Givat Amal village, owner of a building materials store who bought 30 sacks of cement from non-licensed dealers in December, 1951, was fined IL.200 by the Tel Aviv District Court yesterday.

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TEL AVIV MAGISTRATE Mr. Y. Megori yesterday quashed the case against Mr. Y. Manheim, a Tel Aviv lawyer, when a committee representative of the Lawyers' Association told the Magistrate that the case would be handed over to the Legal Council. Mr. Manheim was charged by Mr. Zvi Rabinovits with forcibly taking his seven-year-old daughter, Edna, and surrendering her to Mrs. Rabinovits, whom he had previously divorced.

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CHARGED WITH assaulting policemen and insulting inspectors of the Control Department when they approached him with a warrant to search his flat last October, Moshe Reminger, 43, of 16 Rehov Uriel Acosta, Tel Aviv, was sentenced to a month's imprisonment and a IL.30 fine or one month's imprisonment in lieu of the fine by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday.

35 Etzion Heroes To Be Honoured Today

Memorial meetings will be held today and tomorrow in honour of the Thirty-five who fell five years ago in the Hebron Hills while en route to reinforce the Etzion Bloc settlements.

A ceremony will be held this afternoon at three o'clock at Netiv HaLamed Heh in the Judean Hills, a kibbutz named in honour of the fallen. At eight o'clock this evening the bereaved families will hold a prayer service and general meeting in Goldschmidt's Restaurant in Jerusalem.

Tomorrow morning at 8:45, buses will leave from the Menorah Club for a memorial service at the military cemetery on Mount Herzl. The buses will then carry the participants to a military camp named for the Thirty-five, where the bereaved families have erected a cultural centre.

Engine Trouble Forces Boat Back to Elath

ELATH, Monday (ITIM). — The Andreas Boye, 700-ton Danish schooner which arrived here ten days ago with a cargo of building materials and food from East Africa, weighed anchor today and left Israel, but returned some hours later with engine trouble.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM — Bananas: 250 grams. Heh 13, temp. 45, scores 10, 11, 12. Tomatoes: 250 grams, 13, 14, temp. 55, score 11.
TEL AVIV — Eggs: 4. Het 15, scores 1, 2, 11, 12.
NORTHERN DISTRICT and SAMARIA — Oil: 500 grams. Bet 36, scores 7, 8.
SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Eggs: 4. Het 16, temp. 9. Eggs for expectant mothers: 6, coupon 14. Eggs for invalids: 4. Het Aleph 3, 5. Het Bet 3, 5. Het Gimel 3. Poultry for expectant mothers: 750 grams, coupon 1. Poultry for aged persons: 500 grams, Nun 7, Nun 8. Poultry for invalids: 500 grams for Het Aleph 1, Het Bet 1, 500 grams meat for Het Gimel. Fish: 150 grams fillet. Potatoes: 1 kilogram. Heh 43, temp. 39. Onions: 500 grams, 17, 18, temp. 49.

Haifa Port Sets Up Record In Handling Cargo

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER

HAIFA, Monday. — Haifa port, which was limping along in low gear with large-scale dismissals the order of the day only a few weeks ago, is now establishing new records in handling cargo.

Yesterday, 74,000 cases of citrus were loaded, an all-time record. The previous high was 70,000. One of the 16 ten-man gangs loading the fruit in two ships established a loading record of an average 40 tons per hour. In one hour, this team handled 57 tons.

Yesterday's feat was accomplished through careful planning at all stages, and close cooperation between all parties.

Besides the citrus, 703 tons of exports, mainly vehicles were also loaded, and 3,160 tons of cargo were discharged. Yesterday's 7,975-ton total turnover was also a record. The port's turnover has been increasing this month, and by tonight some 45,000 tons of goods will have been handled, equalling the total tonnage in December.

So far this month, nearly 700,000 cases of citrus have been loaded, compared to 457,000 cases during the whole of December, and the citrus export season is now in full swing.

By tonight, 1,405,000 cases will have passed through the port, and another 94,000 cases have been shipped through Jaffa Port. Experts are confident that this season will be very satisfactory. Today, two ships are loading fruit for Britain, and tomorrow 958 cases will be loaded in s.s. Constanza for export to Rumania, the first this season.

Tomorrow's fruit loading will, however, be slowed, because three berths on the jetties will be occupied by the s.s. Guido Cesare, the Italian luxury liner that is calling here for the first time; the H.M.S. Kenya which is coming for a three-day unofficial visit, and the s.s. Filippo Grimani.

Most January Rations Assured

All January rations, with the exception of meat, will be distributed by the end of the month, Ministry of Commerce and Industry sources said in Jerusalem yesterday.

The January meat ration will be available in February. A 100-gram ration was distributed last week in cities and towns to make up the December backlog. In rural areas, the meat, which came from Eritrea, was not distributed. The December ration will be made up in February when the first meat shipments arrive from the Argentine. January rations will come only from this shipment.

Sugar is being unloaded in Haifa Port, and is now being distributed in the Haifa area. Distribution will be completed in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv this week and in other areas the following week. The distribution of sugar products, particularly jam and halva, has also started.

Low Milk Price May Lead To Curtailment of Herds

TEL AVIV, Monday (ITIM).—Spokesmen of both the private and the cooperative sectors of cattle raisers and dairy farmers told the press today that their activities faced a serious danger of drastic curtailment because of the Government's price level.

Speaking for the private sector, Mr. Y. Bar-Yehuda, of the Dairymen's Section of the Farmers Federation, said that thousands of cows were being slaughtered both legally and illegally as their owners could not stand the financial loss under present prices.

Fodder had to be bought on the black market. The price of dairy products, however, was strictly controlled by the Government, and were between 250 and 300 per cent below those of the "free market."

Under these conditions the farmers were not interested in increasing their herds and even tended to send the animals to slaughterhouses, with dangerous results for the future.

LABOUR LEAGUE REJECTS PLAN

NAZARETH, Monday. — The Histadrut-affiliated Israel Labour League's Executive rejected the compromise agreement on the reinstatement of strikers, reached by the Municipality and the Histadrut representatives at a two-hour meeting here today.

According to the agreement, only five or six of more than 30 Municipal employees and dustmen, who were dismissed after calling a Communist-instigated strike last October, would be taken back.

Chemical Plant Opens in Haifa

HAIFA, Monday. — A plant manufacturing sodium hypochloride, (NaOCL) started production recently in the "Standard Factory" compound near the Kishon River here. The plant, the "Electro-Chlorine Chemical Industries," works on a round-the-clock basis and its 800-ton annual capacity is sufficient to supply the country's needs.

The chemical is used in all types of water treatments, and for sterilizing new water pipelines, bottles, milk cans, fruits, vegetables and swimming pools. It is also used for bleaching cotton, paper pulp and cork and for laundering purposes.

The factory was established by Irish and Italian investors and local capital. It represents a IL.50,000 investment, half in foreign currency. It was designed by Prof. A Doldi of Genoa, who has designed 16 similar plants in Europe. He is now spending a fortnight here to supervise the first stages of production.

No imported raw materials are needed by the plant which uses only salt and electricity to produce the chemical by electrolysis. Only six workers are employed since the process is fully mechanized. The product will not be more expensive than the chemical now processed here from imported caustic soda and chlorine gas.

The owners acknowledged Government's aid, especially the Investment Centre and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. Their only concern is that no raw materials for processing the product should be imported from Germany as reparations.

Sale of Pork Protested In Tel Aviv, Jerusalem

TEL AVIV, Monday. — A mass protest meeting was held at the Great Synagogue here tonight against the sale of pork in Israel. It was relayed over loudspeakers in Allenby Road.

Rabbi I. Unterman, Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv, Rabbi M. Abramovits, Rabbi A. Boyer and Mr. Magid, Tel Aviv, Councillors of the religious parties spoke. They called on "true believers" to picket all restaurants which sell pork, and to appeal to the Government and Knesset against this "outrage of religious and human feelings." Protests should also be made against the Army for sending garbage to pig farms, they said.

The unrestricted sale of pork was a disgrace to Israel, said Rabbi Ushpezai, at a protest meeting in Jerusalem yesterday.

If blasphemous persons wished to profit by the sale of unclean and forbidden food, the Government must take steps to root them out, he said. Pig farms were a blot on the Holy Land, other Rabbis said.

They also called on the State to investigate and remedy the scandal of Jewish children being subjected to proselytizing at Mission schools and convents.

Cattle Dealers Detained For Using Forged Permits

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Three local cattle merchants were detained here this week for buying cattle with reportedly forged Ministry of Agriculture permits.

The merchants bought several dozen head of cattle from kibbutzim throughout the country. The settlements, police believe, acted in good faith and did not know the permits were forged.

Donkey Slaughter House Found

TEL AVIV, Monday. — A donkey meat slaughter house was found last night by Ministry of Commerce and Industry inspectors in a house in Tel Arish, near Rishon LeZion. Three sacks of donkey bones, skin and heads were impounded.

One man was detained.

Injured in Accidents

HAIFA, Monday. — Shlomo Yisraeli, 42, of Bustan village in Galilee, was seriously injured when the jeep he was driving collided with a lorry in Acre this morning. A passenger in the jeep was also slightly injured. Both were taken to the Nahariya Hospital.

RAMAT GAN, Monday. — Hava Schreiber, 73, of Rehov Yahalom in Ramat Gan, was severely injured by a Dan bus in Rehov Jabotinsky here this morning.

She was taken to the Bellinson Hospital in a serious condition. The driver, Elion Sherman, was detained and later released in bond.

SHIPPING.—With the inauguration of a freighter run to Formosa, probably next month, Japan will have resumed all her prewar shipping services with the world except Russia and Communist China, the Transport Ministry announced today.

'The God That Failed' — Succeeds

HAIFA, Monday.—The Bantam pocket book, "The God That Failed," has been renamed "The Book that Succeeded," by Haifa booksellers. The volume, selling at 350 prutot, tells of six famous men who changed their minds about Communism. They include Louis Fischer and Arthur Koestler, both Jews.

The books reached Haifa bookshops yesterday morning, and were sold out within an hour. Today all shops were awaiting for new supplies. Book sellers said the Prague trial and the Moscow blood libel have made the book topical and caused its demand.

Arab Mapam Section Criticize Bastuni

NAZARETH, Monday (ITIM). —The Arab section of Mapam has declared its non-confidence in its representative, Mr. Rustum Bastuni, M.K., following his action in voting with the minority of the Mapam Council against the party policy on the Prague trial, without consulting the other members.

A telegram sent to the Party Executive and to Mr. Bastuni today said that the majority of the Arab section were in agreement with the majority stand taken by Mapam, under the direction of Messrs. Ya'ari and Hazan, and repudiated the line of Dr. Moshe Sneh and supported by Mr. Bastuni.

A minority of the 1,000 members of the Arab section sided with Dr. Sneh in approving of the Prague trial.

Mandatory Law To Be Translated Into Hebrew

The proposed translation of the Interpretation Ordinance which defines legal terms and concepts, is the first of a series of translations designed to render all Mandatory Laws into Hebrew, Mr. Haim Cohen, the Attorney-General, stated at a press conference yesterday in Jerusalem. The Minister of Justice, Mr. P. Rosen, attended.

The translation of the Ordinance, which was begun in 1948, was submitted first to a committee of experts, because the correct rendering of definitions was of vital importance to the translation of other laws.

The committee of experts, which must make a report on the suggested translations to the Knesset committee within four months, is composed of Dr. S. Cheshin, Chairman, representing the Supreme Court; Dr. Z. Baker, of the District Court; Mr. A. Goldberg, of the Bar Association; and Dr. S. Ginossar, of the Hebrew University Law School.

The Attorney-General praised the quality of the translations, undertaken by Mr. Meir Shelly and his staff, of the Ministry of Justice.

Asked whether the Emergency Regulations, which had been termed anti-democratic in the first Knesset, would be replaced, Mr. Cohen replied that there was no need for such a move. New legislation has been proposed, however, in a limited area, covered at present by the Emergency Regulations, the Attorney-General pointed out.

He cited the Crimes Against the State Bill, which contains provisions which would replace Mandatory Laws, and the amendment of the Criminal Code on the Security of the Borders, which would also be in the place of certain Emergency Regulations. A Censorship Bill is also being prepared in lieu of former laws.

Foreign Advocates Must Pass Existing Exams

Standards of the Foreign Advocates Examinations would not be lowered, Mr. H. Cohen, the Attorney-General, said at a press conference yesterday in Jerusalem. He was replying to a query on the high rate of failures.

The Attorney-General had proposed to the Legal Council, however, to sponsor courses in the three large cities. Attendance would be on a voluntary basis for the time being.

BOUTAGY'S AUSTIN SEVEN CAR DISAPPEARED

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Delicate Heart Surgery Performed By Hadassah Medical Team

Jerusalem POST Reporter

The first two delicate heart operations carried out by Hadassah's recently-organized cardio-surgical unit in Jerusalem have been pronounced a complete success and herald the start of a new phase of surgery in Israel, it was reported yesterday.

A fortnight ago the unit performed its first operation, removing a tumor from a patient's pericardium, the membranous sac enclosing the heart.

A week ago, an operation known as a mitro valvulotomy, was performed. This heart condition generally results from cases of rheumatic fever and the patient is forced to be a semi-invalid since breathing is difficult. The extremely delicate operation calls for the widening of the affected valve, which then permits the heart to function more normally.

Both patients are doing "very well" after undergoing the operations that took about five hours each. Hadassah started to organize the unit several months ago and sent surgeons to the U.S. to study methods used by such teams. Each group consists of a cardiologist, radiologist, anesthetist, surgeon, assistants and nurses, all of whom must function almost like one man. They also carry out a detailed examination of the patient before operating to determine whether surgery is feasible.

The Hadassah Medical Organization expressed the opinion that the unit will "open new hope for the numerous persons afflicted with a cardiac condition" and will remove the necessity of patients going abroad for surgery.

Tel Aviv Lacks Funds To Maintain Services

TEL AVIV, Monday.—The current deficit of the Tel Aviv Municipality amounts to IL.4m. and unless its debtors—the residents and the Government—pay up, some Municipal services will have to be curtailed. This was announced today by Acting Mayor Haim Levanon at a press conference in his office.

In the first nine months of the fiscal year, the Municipality collected IL.10m., which constitutes 54 per cent of its expected income for the year. This was an unsatisfactory situation compared with previous years, according to Mr. I. Oren, the Municipal Treasurer.

The Government owes the city about IL.8m. for the whole year and the householders' payment of rates in recent months has been very slow. Consequently, the Municipality owes large sums of money to suppliers and those maintaining its children's institutions, debts whose payment cannot be delayed.

Mr. Avner, head of the Municipal Housing Department, and Mr. M. Amiax, the City Engineer, replied to recent complaints by the residents of the Caucasian, Machiul and Nordau slum quarters that the Municipality was evicting them.

They said the phenomenon of persons rejecting an offer of better living standards was common here, as well as in other countries, and that the Municipality must overcome it without resorting to force, which it legally could.

The Caucasian quarter is earmarked for a park; the Machiul quarter as an extension of the sea-shore promenade; and the Nordau quarter as a residential and business section. These plans would be executed as soon as funds became available and the residents of the quarters cooperative.

Referring to criticism that the Municipal administration was too heavy, Mr. Levanon said the city had 1,980 employees, including 1,400 educational personnel. He could see no way to reduce this figure.

In reply to a question, Mr. Levanon said he had not yet been approached by the Dan Bus Cooperative on the latter's proposal to share company ownership with the Municipality or the Government. He said a special expert, whose name could not be revealed, was now studying the problem.

150 Police Conscripted

TEL AVIV, Monday (ITIM). — Following a decision of an inter-departmental committee of the Ministries of Defence and Police, 150 constables, including 50 women police, are to be conscripted by the Army shortly.

They have been in police service since 1951, and were till now exempt from Army service. Further conscription from the police force is expected.

100 ARMENIANS returned from the Old City yesterday afternoon after celebrating Christmas there.

Herb Suspected As Typhoid Carrier

STUTTGART, Monday (Reuter) — The sale of salad endives (a variety of herb), suspected germ carrier in the typhoid epidemic here, has been banned in Stuttgart and other affected areas nearby.

Two further deaths have brought the total number of victims of the epidemic to six. More than 500 persons are known to be suffering from the disease in the area.

Nehru Warns Pakistan Against Joining MEDO

HYDERABAD, Monday, (UP). —Premier Nehru expressed the fear today that a world war would come right to India's borders should Pakistan join the Middle East Defence Organization.

He told the concluding session of the Indian National Congress that India had no intention of interfering in the affairs of any country but Pakistan's interest in MEDO was of grave concern to India. "If any developments take place we shall have to consider carefully how to adapt ourselves to such circumstances."

FOR BREAKING into and stealing three sacks of metal from the Haifa Railway workshops, three Arab residents of Acre were each sentenced to one year in prison by the Haifa District Court yesterday.

U.S. Plane Downed Over China Coast

TOKYO, Monday (UP).—Fourteen Americans were reported missing today in the crash of two planes — one a Navy Neptune bomber shot down off the Chinese coast and the other a Coast Guard rescue plane that dived afire into the ocean with some of the survivors.

An authority, who would not be quoted directly, said Communist shore batteries shot down the bomber seven kms. from the Chinese mainland, but Navy officials would not admit the bomber had been shot down by enemy forces.

A second rescue plane, which failed to spot any survivors, was reported fired on by Communist shore batteries and an enemy fighter, but the report was not confirmed.

Sign of the Time

Dr. Moshe Sneh flatly declined to comment last night upon developments.

"If you asked me the time of the day," he told a reporter, "I would not tell you. I'd show you my watch."

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Lavie. Soon there were interjections from Herut and General Zionist benches, too. The Minister-without-portfolio, Mr. P. Lavon, exclaimed: "Let him confuse himself in peace." But he was not, and presently the Prime Minister interrupted Mr. Hazan who had said that Mapam would not rest until the Socialist world agreed to the Jewish People's right to a national and social liberation. "Where would you fight?" asked Mr. Ben Gurion.

Mr. Hazan believed the Knesset was not serving the cause well by staging a debate. He said in the impending Third World War the Jewish People would be divided across the two sides of the barricade, and he was sure the Socialist World would win.

The veteran Dr. H. Bogaty, General Zionist, suddenly stood up and said: "The whole Jewish Nation is behind Ben Gurion!" And Herut's Dr. Y. Bader cried: "All Israel is behind Ben Gurion!" Mr. M. Ya'ari, Mapam, shouted from his place that "this concert is one black reactionary instigation." Mr. Ben Aharon, Mapam, very red in the face, cried: "Nobody will speak in this House if we cannot."

But it was when the Communist, Mr. Mikunis, rose to speak that the House was really roused. The Prime Minister left and so did most of the Mapai and General Zionist members. But they were still within ear-shot when Mr. Mikunis mentioned "the treacherous gang of doctors." This caused an uproar. There were cries: "Don't let him speak!" For a moment, there was complete pandemonium. Miss Wilensky and Mr. Toubi, now in the front row, stood up, shouting and wildly gesticulating. The Speaker rose from his place, very agitated, and sternly quieted the House. He then demanded Mr. Mikunis should withdraw. "Such words cannot be uttered in Israel's Knesset," he said, sitting down.

After a short argument, Mr. Mikunis gave way, in spite of his fellow-Communists' encouragement to stand firm. After that, neither Miss Wilensky nor Mr. Toubi came to his help when he was being heckled from the floor. Miss Wilensky, sitting with a sullen face, tried to make an interjection or two during Mr. Sharett's declaration, which followed.

Cables in Brief

YEMEN.—Prince Seif el Islam el Hassan, Prime Minister and heir-apparent of the King of Yemen, was received by Premier and Foreign Minister Alcide de Gasperi in Rome yesterday.

VISIT. — Greek Foreign Minister Stephan Stephanopoulos will arrive in Belgrade on February 3 on a four-day state visit to Yugoslavia, Belgrade Radio reported on Sunday.

ROTARY. — Joaquin Serratosa Cibils of Montevideo, Uruguay, has been elected by the nominating committee of Rotary International as its nominee for President of the organization for 1953-54. If no other nomination is received from a Rotary Club before April 1, he will be automatically elected President at Rotary's 1953 convention in Paris from May 24 to 28.

SNIFF.—Detective Terence O'Connel tracked down a woman jewel thief by sniffing her perfume, a London court was told yesterday. O'Connel said he smelled the perfume when he investigated the theft of £250 worth of jewellery, and got a whiff of the same stuff when he interviewed a suspect, 21-year-old Pamela Jones, later in the day.

TRADE.—A 12-man Italian trade delegation, headed by the Foreign Ministry economic chief, arrived in Athens on Sunday for two weeks of talks with Greek government leaders.

ZOA Congratulates Israel Coalition

NEW YORK, Monday (UP).—The Mapai-General Zionist coalition was hailed as the most constructive move towards political stability and national unity since the establishment of Israel, by the Zionist Organization of America National Executive and Council in a resolution passed at its regular quarterly meeting yesterday.

"We are particularly gratified at the inclusion in the Government's programme of important elements of General Zionist thought which we and our fellow General Zionists in Israel and the Diaspora have consistently advocated."

The resolution pledged the continued support of the ZOA for the Israel Government too and also expressed its satisfaction that the Progressives were in the coalition, "which reinforces the plea for unity" between them and the General Zionists.

The meeting decided to set up a youth village and agricultural school at Migdal Ascalon in honour of the 60th birthday of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

The Council issued a protest against the supplying of arms to the Arabs "which would only be used against Israel."

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TODAY General Dwight D. Eisenhower is being inaugurated as President of the United States of America, and by tonight the tumult and the shouting attending the ceremony will have died down, the great captains and plenipotentiaries will have departed and the President will be left alone with his conscience and his resolve to fulfil the high purposes to which his oath of office shall have summoned him.

PRESIDENT EISENHOWER

The mind of the new President will turn, as did that of all his great predecessors, to the state of the Union. To promote the welfare of the people, to prevent industrial strife, to damp down racial and minority tensions, to further the purposes of peace within and without the territorial boundaries of the United States, to ensure good government, to safeguard freedom, justice and righteousness—these are the ends to which President Eisenhower will be dedicated. He will, of course, have to follow their thin and, at times, almost imperceptible golden thread amid the morasses of conflicting claims, party policies, the influence of pressure groups, campaigns by all kinds of vested interests and special movements set in train by the ambitious and the unscrupulous. That, unhappily, is the stuff of which politics is made in any country.

But the President will also have the inherent decencies of all classes of the people as his stay and support together with the instinctive love of democracy which is at the root of American life. He will find support in the kindliness and quick imagination, in the broad human sympathies of the plain people and their enlightened universalist impulses which, since the war, have made possible the massive aid programmes to less privileged countries; programmes which have not been determined purely by political or strategic considerations. There is, within America today, a great stream of liberal thought and idealism, seeking to find free expression in the popular implementation of great acts of enlightened statesmanship; the liberalism heightened by the example of what tyranny in regimented society can do to the dignity of man. It is on forces like these that the new President will be able to rely when called upon at grave moments to make great decisions.

It is because one believes that these moral forces are basic and continuous in American life that one can hold the confident hope that the liberal and stimulating policy of the outgoing Truman administration with regard to Israel will be continued. That effort, in the words of retiring President Truman, in his valedictory message to Congress, was part of a "great venture in international partnership on which the United States was engaged." It was also part of a demonstration of hope for mankind, for as retiring President Truman went on to say "there is no limit of what can be done once American capital, skill and science can be released from the tasks of defence and turned wholly to peaceful purposes all over the world."

The support of America for Israel has up till now been founded on the recognition of the inherent moral gain to mankind in making possible the resettlement of the Jewish people on its own soil, after so many centuries of persecution and suffering. President Eisenhower has placed himself on record as looking forward to the "progress of democracy in Israel, to the stabilization of her economy and her growing contributions to the free world." Israel will continue her effort to make these simple words good and as Dwight D. Eisenhower enters on his great tasks her solemn wish is that his term of Presidential office will likewise be signalised by progress in democracy and the continuation of America's growing concern for the free world.

Three Day Festival Features Cutaways and Cowboys

Colourful Days in Washington

By KENNETH HARRIS

WASHINGTON. — HAVING no King, the Americans do not have a coronation. But by inaugurating a President every four years, thus enjoy as much pomp, circumstance and colour as any monarchist could wish for.

Admittedly, today's inaugural parade, for instance, is rather a different kind of spectacle. Instead of mounted Life Guards there will be cowboys from Texas riding flowing-tailed roans. Beautiful belles wearing robes symbolising the traditions of their home States — a Cotton Queen representing Alabama, for example — will take the place of the marchioneesses.

But in their own way the great inaugural parades display as much colour and national tradition as a coronation; and if the Americans are not going to experience quite the same feeling that one gets from seeing the Head of State riding by in a gilded coach, wearing an ermined mantle and a crown, they will enjoy much the same sense of the extraordinary when they see General Ike Eisenhower sitting in a Cadillac wearing cutaways and a top hat.

Balls and Concerts

The three-day festival began on Sunday, with concerts and a big reception — admission by invitation only — which distinguished visitors, diplomats, politicians and governors and officials of the 48 States attended. Yesterday was spent in similar style. Today, President Harry Truman will ride with President-elect Eisenhower up to the Capitol. There, before senators and Congressmen, the President elect will take the oath of office, administered to him by the Supreme Court.

Then he will ride back down the broad vista leading from the Capitol, where Congress sits, to the White House, the residence of the President. On either side the streets will be lined with row after row of open stands — bleachers, they call them here — put up for the occasion, painted bright colours, hung with hunting, with seats sold at prices ranging from $2 or so upwards. At the White House the new President will move into the President's stand — such a fine piece of temporary timberwork that it looks as solid as the White House itself from which he will watch the great inaugural parade go by.

The parade will last for nearly three hours. How many of Washington's million residents will watch it depends on the weather. In addition, 500,000 visitors are expected from out of town, although only 90,000 people will have seats along the route. But an unprecedented television audience of 75 million Americans is expected to get a look.

Sixty floats, one for each State, plus several others entered by local groups, will pass by, some depicting the life of the State, others some tableau of American history, others phases of the life of General Eisenhower. There will also be 50 brass bands.

Tonight there will be an enormous and sumptuous ball, with tickets at $10 each — some people would gladly pay a thousand for a ticket if they could get it. To accommodate the 14,000 people whose political, diplomatic or civic importance make their presence unavoidable, the ball will be held in two places about three kilometres apart — 8,000 in one place, 6,000 in the other. The new President will put in an appearance at both. Described as "simulated ballrooms of great elegance," one being a drill hall, the other being a university auditorium, they have been decorated by Mr. Bruce Maine, the "Wizard of Radio City," America's leading interior decorator. (Mr. Maine's biggest and most famous interior transformations include an African jungle, a Gothic cathedral and a 35-gun battleship. Once he even arranged for a ship to sail across a stage, to be torpedoed, and to be sunk within view of the audience. One can imagine that he has taken the Inauguration in his stride).

Twenty-five thousand metres of silk have been hung on the walls of his two halls; 10 metres golden eagles, in profile, are to be hung at each end; huge imitation gold chandeliers will hang from the roofs; and though the six nationally famous dance orchestras hired for the occasion will not perform simultaneously, there is enough room for them to do so with ease.

The entertainment is in the hands of some distinguished artists and actors who backed General Eisenhower during the election. Soloists borrowed from the Metropolitan Opera will sing the National Anthem. By the General's own request, the 150-man choir of West Point, where the General was a cadet, will come down to sing West Point songs.

'Foreigners Touch'

There will also be a contribution from some of the Americans who were born overseas: they, too, will have a float in the procession, representing 17 different nationalities standing gazing in gratitude at the Statue of Liberty — one Democratic congressman has suggested that the General might invite Senator Pat McCarran to take the place of the Statue of Liberty on this float, and have the 17 foreign-born wear expressions somewhat different from that of gratitude.

This enormous three-day ceremony has required tremendous organization — 4,500 hotel rooms have been requisitioned along the 70 kilometre arterial road from Washington to Baltimore, "sleeping-car cities" have been arranged for visitors to sleep in up and down the Union Station sidings. The situation is such that it is likely that a bed at the Y.M.C.A., if it could be sold for profit, would cost as much as an ordinary day at the Ritz. In addition, 300 horses have to be stabled, fed and watered within reasonable access of the capital; and there are three large elephants, the symbols of the Republican Party, which have got to be anchored somewhere, as well as a team of sledge-dogs down from Alaska for the occasion.

Yet, though everybody is very interested in the fun and games, they are basically much more interested in the serious political content of the ceremony, which is the inaugural speech that President Eisenhower will make as soon as he has taken the oath and been installed: in this he will outline general policies and the mood with which his administration will set to work. Whatever his words, his huge, friendly smile, beaming out into the January gloom, will perhaps symbolise better than anything else the kind of leadership that America needs for the time being.

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Readers' Letters

TRAINING SERVICE DOGS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—The tragic death of Barbara Propper induced Mr. Th. F. Meysels (your issue of October 1) to call to the attention of the public the problem of intensifying public security by employing suitable watch-dogs.

During the disturbances of 1936-39, in World War II and our War of Independence, we saw what "the right dog in the right place" can do, and their deeds made our population dog-minded. During the Mandate it was indeed easy to ask dog owners to breed dogs, for the British Army not only praised the part of our dogs in the war effort (the majority of all war dogs in the Middle East were bred here) but also showed their satisfaction by allocating to every breeder and dog owner, if he brought a certificate from me, plenty of food for his dogs. At the beginning of the War of Independence we had a satisfactory stock of suitable service dogs. We were able to organise the first dog units of the Army and afterwards provide the dog section for the police and certain departments of the Ministry of Defence with qualified animals.

At present there is a scarcity of good service dogs due to losses sustained during the war, rabies, and finally the failure of Government to help in breeding and training (allocation of food, systematic instructions to dog owners etc.)

The steps which should be taken now to improve public security by using the service dog include:

1. Governmental guidance and supervision of the breeding and training of service dogs in co-operation with existing breeding and training clubs, similar to the measures taken by the Haganah. The basis is a regular food allocation (utilization of refuse, especially animal carcasses).

2 Employment of instructors to teach and advise those in remote settlements on dog care, training and breeding. In 1949 Yaacov Pat, formerly in the Ministry of Defence, initiated an inter-departmental commission to carry through these measures. After a most promising start, the commission was compelled to interrupt its work because it could not raise the required budget, (now about IL.250 a month).

Mr. Meysels is quite right when he says that mongrels can also become valuable service dogs, but it is hazardous to experiment with the raising of mongrel puppies because one can never be sure whether they will later show the necessary qualities to make the training worthwhile.

The breeding of pedigreed dogs makes it possible to improve the efficiency of each breed from generation to generation. In this way the percentage of unfit dogs becomes smaller and smaller and eventually disappears completely (as seen from our home bred boxers).

It is worth mentioning that the breeding of our underestimated "native," the Canaan dog, could become a paying proposition. This dog could very well satisfy our own needs for a reliable, and frugal watch dog and could be used for export as well. There is already more interest in this exotic dog abroad than in his native country.

Yours etc,
Dr. R. WENNEL,
Cynological Advisor to the Israel Government.
Jerusalem.

MUST EXPAND EXPORTS OR OVERPRODUCE

King of Concrete-Mixers

By GERDA L. COHEN

IN the near future, Israel will have three cement-plants instead of one. That one, proud king of concrete-mixers, founded 27 years ago in Haifa by private capital, became a Histadrut enterprise when it passed into the half-ownership of Solel Boneh. "Nesher" paid a stiff penalty for being in the van of our heavy industry; it grew by trial and error, unlike its second plant, nearing completion at Ramle. Tons of cement-dust go up the chimney, flouring over Haifa Bay and only now is a dust-collector being installed. By comparison, the Ramle plant boasts the highest chimney in Israel for dispersing gas, returning cement dust to the silo. Nor did the original Nesher pioneers pick the best site: decades of quarrying ate so far into the Carmel that trucks had to replace their railway, and fresh digs were opened at Jalamch. The Ramle factory will employ its own 20-ton lorries, cheaper by far than the present transport at the Haifa plant.

Nesher began with the now out-of-date dry method: clay and limestone fired in vertical kilns and ground to powder. In 1935 Nesher switched allegiance to the wet method, trebling output with two horizontal kilns in which a thick soup of clay, lime and water are oxidized. Thus the two sections of Haifa Nesher contribute products blending in the cement-bag, and organization is doubly complicated.

Raw material — clay from fields nearby, and chunks of limestone — separate to feed Nesher's double mouth. At the "dry" side, it was desiccated in a cacophony of whirling pipes and disgorged as gravel. To prevent the kilns from choking, engineers devised an ingenious cookery: they add a little water, some coal-dust, and squeeze the dough into something like liver sausages (to look at). These fall into one of six huge kilns, house high, until the raging heat has transformed them into "clinker," end-product of both wet and dry methods. Nesher is in process of replacing these obsolete kilns — continuously in use since 1925 — with others capable of firing 60 per cent more material, and it was obvious that the dismantling of such massive iron towers meant dislocation, not to talk of expense. Renovation of "old" Nesher seemed all the more strange when one discovered how mighty and modernized was "new" Nesher.

Giant Egg-Whisk

A vast circular pond of beige slush (technically known as "slurry") composed of lime, water, clay, was being churned by an outsize egg-whisk, an electric motor propelling it round the pond-rim. The slurry was pumped into one of six silos for a further mixing, and then slowly left to trickle down a kiln whose shape distinguishes a modern cement plant. A steel pipe, in which you could stand up comfortably, about 120 metres long, rested at a slight oblique angle across the whole breadth of Nesher. At one end, a furnace pulsed air at tremendous temperature along the tunnel, which gradually revolved and subjected the thin layer of slurry to intense heat. As in the "dry" method, clinker formed, and was ground into fine grey flour together with gypsum from the quarries.

Nesher boasted two of these kilns, whose output is each equivalent to three of the old-fashioned type, — 360 tons of cement every 24 hours, — but whose fitting for crude oil is unequalled — 90 tons in 24 hours. Apart from technical improvements, Nesher's upstanding child at Ramle resembles the parent, insofar as it owns one horizontal kiln with a similar gluttony for fuel, and is designed to take a second. Israel has no alternative to bringing oil from abroad, and the shortest memory will recall last summer's fuel crisis. Once the great furnace is lit, it must never go cold, for a cement plant cannot run in jumps and jerks. If Nesher — either parent or child — fails to maintain full production, the whole stupendous mechanism becomes a dinosaur doomed to extinction because of its unwieldy bulk. Supposing that all three — "Nesher" Haifa, Ramle and Harfuv," — exploited their capacity to the utmost, which is after all the business-like approach, they would force the Government to double import of crude oil, and would at a conservative estimate be turning out some 810,000 tons annually.

Within the last year, Israel's pattern of cement manufacture and marketing turned upside down: bungalow and tenement had been erupting over the land with break-neck speed. At all costs, cement had to be procured — contractors fought for a licence, wangled non-payment import, paid through the nose on the Black Market. These many months, public exchequers have been tight shut for all but top-priority work, and for private builders have begun the lean years: bankruptcy struck here and there. Meanwhile, Nesher's new kiln contributed its 360 tons a day, and imports dwindled from 122,348 tons in 1951 to about 25,000 tons this year, until we open 1953 with a reversed balance-sheet: Nesher satisfied local demand, (still rigidly controlled) and exported 110,000 tons to Turkey and Malta. All building is inflationary, and negates present policy; home orders for cement will continue shrinking; even Yuval Gad, the concrete pipe plant, uses only a maximum of 90 tons a day. For the present, we have passed the construction peak, and must divert aid to making the wheels go round. As with tyre and plate-glass production, involving heavy investment and formidable running cost, cement will only start to pay for itself when Israel Portland has captured an empire abroad. A sobering consideration: the countries which build most also produce their own cement, cheaply.

This is the first of a series of articles on Israel industries.

NATURE NOTES

Baa Baa Fat-tail

YOU still meet a good many sheep in the road, ambling home at sunset, pressing close to each other, the clean white winter lambs contrasting with their isabelle-coloured mothers. Two or three goats usually skip ahead of them, black as Satan and quite as mischievous. Look well at them and imprint the sight in your mind, if you are fond of ancient traits as "figures in landscape". For these flocks will get rarer and rarer with the development of our agriculture and may soon vanish except in the stoniest hills.

These native sheep are fat-tails, the same race that we see in the ancient Assyrian sculptures. They are able to subsist on pasture all through the seasons, though in dry years such as this, the winter may be a critical period for them. The goats — legally forbidden to graze except when tethered! — run with them because they are cleverer at finding eatables, and indeed it does not take much to be brighter than a sheep. For once popular belief — so often very far off the mark, as when it considers asses stupid — is exactly right. The sheep is not only a sheep in following its leader blindly; it never, never learns. Thus when driven into the milking pen, where hay is placed in long rackets, with plenty of room for each sheep to nibble in comfort, they will push at each other trying to reach the feed in scrimmages three deep, while there are wide gaps close by. The shepherd has to grab them and drag them apart, and he tells me it is the same day by day, year by year. Yet he loves his work — partly because it is the only branch of husbandry that has retained its old romantic glamour, reed pipe and all. Only the shearing has been mechanized. And partly because you can teach yourself such things as all the Semitic dialects in the course of herding, as my young friend in Moledeth has done — which is quite impossible if you are a cow-herd.

P.A.

JERUSALEM ART NOTES

Rare Daumier Prints

FIFTY Daumier prints, a valuable gift by the well known American collector W.G.R. Allen, are exhibited at the Bezalel Museum. With some surprise one notes in the catalogue that the last Daumier Exhibition was held at the Museum in 1939. No exhibition featuring French art or culture in the 19th century can do without Daumier. His lithographs are exhibited far more often than any other graphic treasures from the Museum's folders.

However, one does not tire of Daumier and this new exhibition contains collector's pieces of first rank. Some "friendly" early prints, like "Souvenir de Ste. Pélagie," could be a connoisseur's downfall. No one would recognize the master's hand in that homely devotional picture.

Interesting are the "Lithographies à la Plume" of the thirties, a technique, then new, later regrettably and entirely abandoned. Nobly but without pity Daumier fights Louis Philippe in those caricatures, attacking a "tyranny" for which we have only a longing, nostalgic smile today. A Daumier redivivus should try to draw such caricatures in some of today's states....

Equally interesting are Daumier's rare and virtuoso wood-engravings, of which two are exhibited. Ten late lithos, dating from 1870/71, constitute a precious enrichment of the Bezalel collection. The "American Ambassador received by the Emperor of China," "Disarmament and "Equilibre Européen" illustrate the timeless quality of Daumier's criticism. My personal choice would be the deliciously funny "Floraison du Cactus-Grandiflora Jubilation Générale."

T.A.F.M.

Men and Things

TO a crazed world where soldiers grenade each other on icy mountain-tops and men's permanent - waving establishments flourish comes the fine figure of Dr. Alain Bombard — ominous name — who, in crossing the Atlantic in a rubber dingy, lived for 53 days on fish, plankton and rain-water.

He will become a symbol of the safety we all hope for if we get caught on the losing continent in the forthcoming war to end wars; for if we can find out how to survive in the Bombardian style, we shall drift to salvation when our country is burned and shattered behind us. But why these gloomy thoughts? Peace yet reigns, an odd, divisible peace, between the world's two bulging leviathans, while other nations, as out-of-date as the re-discovered coelacanth and as small as the Bombardian plankton, float on the tides of strife and strive to build up little organisms of peace.

One of these little organisms is the chess world which still, unlike the realm of philately, provides intercourse between East and West. Neither nylon curtain McCarran Act enforcers nor iron curtain secret police as yet look for spies' messages in the chess move code, and international sportsmanship flourishes in a sphere where the coup-de grâce is administered by a slowly travelling thumb and forefinger.

But there is danger even in this semi-mathematical exercise, for masters meeting at tournaments may infect each other with various deviationisms. The Czech chess champion has applied for asylum in Switzerland, and though we congratulate him on achieving what he wanted for 53 days, we should be sad if without living on weird foods his action led to the rupture of world chess relations.

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